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U.S. Patent Application No. 08/123,331, filed September 17, 1993, now abandoned

U.S. Patent Application No. 08/438,418, filed May 10, 1995, now US 6,255,277

U.S. Patent Application No. 08/460,465, filed June 2, 1995, now US 6,087,479

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/433,550, filed November 4, 1999, now US 6,174,539

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/621,610, filed July 21, 2000, now US 6,471,978

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/661,190, filed September 13, 2000, now US 6,352,709

U.S. Patent Application No. 07/791,668, filed November 14, 1991, now abandoned

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U.S. Patent Application No. 08/287,830, filed August 9, 1994, now US 5,593,876

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U.S. Patent Application No. 08/907,217, filed August 6, 1997, now US 5,863,890

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U.S. Patent Application No. 10/216,865, filed August 13, 2002, published as 20030007967 (cited on PTO form 1449). The status and currently pending claims of this application are not known to Applicant.

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U.S. Patent Application No. 08/281,427, filed July 27, 1994, which is the priority application for WO 96/03139. Status unknown to Applicant.

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U.S. Patent Application No. 08/043,653, filed April 6, 1993, now US 5,427,797

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/066,320, filed January 31, 2002, published as 20030022267 (cited on PTO form 1449). A copy of the claims currently pending is attached.

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/280,085, filed October 25, 2002. A copy of the claims currently pending is attached.

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